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In re the Application of: **OHBAYASHI, Yoshiaki, et al.**

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **September 9, 2004**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 7 of this paper.